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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	21547/0287
First Named Inventor or Application Identifier	
Title	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING ELONGATE SUPPORT ELEMENT AND PRODUCT, AND USE OF THE SUPPORT ELEMENT
Express Mail Label No.	

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. Filing fee as calculated below.
2. Applicant claims small entity status
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages **[14]**]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) *(35 USC 113)* [Total Pages **[2]**
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **[2]**]
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
 - i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

17. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/423,090

Prior application information: Examiner N. Lucchesi Group/Art Unit: 3732

For **CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only:** The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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INDEP	2	minus	3	= 0	x42=	\$	x84=	\$	
<u>First Presentation, Multiple Dependent Claims</u>						+140=	\$	+280=	\$
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- A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed
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